Designated use in public areas

The City Council may designate areas where recreational vehicles may be used. These areas will be published in the newspaper. An up-to-date map of designated park areas can be obtained from the City Clerk or City Manager's office.

Penalties

Individuals who violate this ordinance shall be guilty of either a fine for a petty misdemeanor of up to \$300 or a fine of up to \$1,000 and/or 90 days in jail for a misdemeanor.

Further Information

Visit the city's web site at:

www.ci.bloomington.mn.us

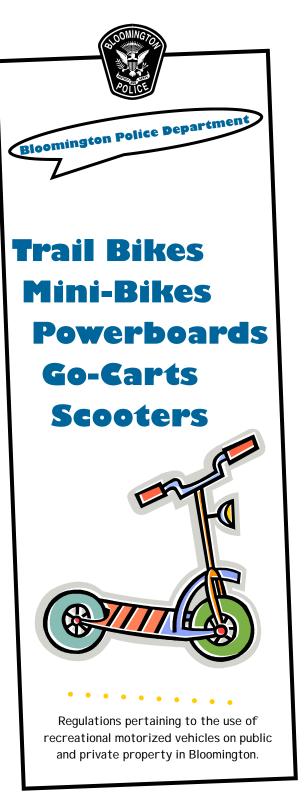
In summary:

Recreational vehicles can be used within the boundaries of Bloomington only on private property with the owner's permission or on designated areas as approved by the City Council.



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New Amended Ordinance

Due to the increased popularity of recreational motorized vehicles, the City has established rules and regulations regarding their use.



Terms:

Recreational motor vehicle (Section 8.65)

- Any vehicle powered by a motor of 25 cc's or less which can travel more than 20 mph.
- This includes trail bike, mini-bikes, go-carts, scooters or skateboards known as 'powerboards'.

Off-road Vehicles

- Any vehicle of over 25 cc's which can travel more than 20 mph.
- I ncludes all-terrain vehicles, hovercraft, or motor vehicles licensed for highway operation.

Vehicles already regulated by state law

This new ordinance does not apply to snowmobiles, licensed mopeds, electric or motorized bicycles or Segways. They are already regulated by state law.



Prohibited areas of use

(Section 8.66)

It is unlawful for any person to use a recreational motor vehicle or off-road vehicle on

- Private property without written permission of the owner.
- Publicly owned land: school grounds, park property, playgrounds, recreation areas and golf courses.
- Public sidewalk or walkway
- Any public street, highway or right-of-way unless licensed.
- Within 150 yards of any public recreation area or gathering of people.

Other prohibited acts

- Vehicles cannot be loud enough to disturb, annoy or interfere with the peace and quiet of other persons.
- Operator must not be under the influence of liquor or narcotics or controlled substances.
- Cannot speed or drive carelessly so as to endanger any person or property.
- Cannot drive, chase, run over or kill any animal.

Street Crossings

(Section 8.67)

No one under 14 years of age shall cross any street, highway or public right of way while riding one of these regulated vehicles.

Hours for use

(Section 8.68) 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Minimum equipment requirements

(Section 8.65)

- Standard mufflers must be properly attached. Muffler cutouts, by-pass, or straight pipes, or similar devices will NOT be allowed.
- Operable brakes
- One front headlamp to illuminate at least 100 feet during darkness.
- One red tail lamp which must be plainly visible at 500 feet during darkness.
- Headlamps and tail lamps must be used 1/2 hours after sunset to 1/2 hour before sunrise or at times of reduced visibility.

